

Appleton Locks and Dams, Lock Shelter at Lock 3  
North of Lock 3, midway between the upper and lower gates  
Appleton  
Outagamie County  
Wisconsin

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## APPLETON LOCKS AND DAMS, LOCK SHELTER AT LOCK 3

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**Location:** The lock shelter at Appleton Lock 3 of the Appleton Locks and Dams Complex is located on the northern embankment near the middle of the lock chamber in the SW1/4, NW1/4, NW1/4 of Section 36, T21N, R17E, Civil Town of Grand Chute, Outagamie County, Wisconsin.

UTM: 16/388620/4900960; USGS Quadrangle: Appleton, Wisconsin 7.5' series

**Date of Construction:** 1917

**Engineer:** United States Army Corps of Engineers with Contractors

**Architect:** United States Army Corps of Engineers with Contractors

**Present Owner:** United States Army Corps of Engineers

**Present Use:** Office for lock personnel.

**Significance:** The lock shelter provides shelter for the lockkeeper while on active duty. Further, the lock shelter provides office space and first aid facilities for office personnel. As such the lock shelter functions as part of the daily operation of the Appleton Locks and Dams Complex.

**Project Information:** This documentation was undertaken in 1995 in accordance with requirements detailed in a June 19, 1994 letter from Gregory D. Kendrick, Chief, History Branch, NPS to Dale Monteith, Acting Chief, Planning Division, USACOE, Detroit District. The Lower Fox system remains basically operational but was placed in caretaker status by the USACOE in 1982. The USACOE plans to divest itself of the Lower Fox system as soon as is feasible; therefore, NPS requested this documentation. All documentation conforms to HAER standards.

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## LOCK SHELTER

The lock shelter at the Appleton Lock 3 is a 12 foot by 12 foot one story wood frame building located on the northern lock embankment near the middle of the lock chamber.<sup>1</sup> Built on top of a poured concrete slab, the lock shelter is covered by wooden drop siding and asphalt shingles. The front gabled roof has a plain cornice with a stove pipe chimney located at the rear of the structure. The entrance to the lock shelter is located on the lockward side of the building. The door has plain trim and a hanging light mounted above it. The side walls contain single double hung windows with plain trim. The structure is believed to date to circa 1917.<sup>2</sup>

## ENDNOTES

- 1 USACOE, Cedars Lock and Dam Fence Survey, Fox River Navigation Project, File #FR 5, sheet 2.
- 2 John N. Vogel, *Appleton Locks 1 - 3 Historic District*, NPS Form 10-900 National Register of Historic Places Registration Form, 1991.